



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship

July 8, 2018

10:00 A.M.

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE CHURCH GATHERS . . .

Welcome to Westminster Church! We are a family of Christians gathered from many traditions and neighborhoods, worshipping 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 Sonata No. 1, Movement II Felix Mendelssohn

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT Blessed Jesus, at Your Word Liebster Jesu

harm. J. S. Bach

Blessed Jesus, at Your word We are gathered all to hear You; Let our hearts and souls be stirred Now to seek and love and fear You; By Your teachings true and holy, Drawn from earth to love You solely.

Tobias Clausnitzer

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Have you heard? God heals the broken and blesses the wounded.

People: Sing praise to God!

Leader: Have you heard? God forgives, and the past is over and done.

People: Sing praise to God!

Leader: Have you heard? God lifts up the downcast and gives peace to the troubled.

People: Sing praise to God!

Leader: Have you heard? Those who wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength.

People: Sing praise to God!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 483 (blue hymnal) Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

Mit Freuden zart

*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.

*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 II Samuel 5:1-10, II Corinthians 12:2-10

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Carolyn Greenwood

Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children’s Worship. Children are welcome in worship here or a nursery is available.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Lila Ruth Brewington

SCRIPTURE Mark 6:1-13

SERMON Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

“Tougher than diamonds and stronger than steel,
that’s the power of love.”

The Power of Love, Huey Lewis

*HYMN NO. 280 (blue hymnal) Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

Amazing Grace

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE . . . The Lord’s 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 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 abide with you for ever, e’en the spirit of truth.

John 14:15-17

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

Old Hundredth

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*HYMN NO. 434 (blue hymnal) Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

Kingsfold

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen

Danish melody

*POSTLUDE Herr Gott, dich loben alle wir Johann Ludwig Krebs

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

JOHANN LUDWIG KREBS, a student of J. S. Bach, was organist at the castle church of the court at Altenburg. Our postlude this morning is a chorale prelude based on the *Old Hundredth* psalm tune, with the soprano (top) line in canon with the pedal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Debbie Babelay and Scott Brunger
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: William and Darlen Milam
SHEPHERD’S TEAM: Brad Pearman
MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Summer Choir
SENIOR USHER: Jerry Carley
USHERS: LoAnn Price, Rick and Janice Rawe, Elizabeth Ridley and Larry Ridley
LEMONADE FELLOWSHIP: Caroline Sudlow and Brooke Sudlow


FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Scott and Jerry Carley, dedicated to the glory of God and to express appreciation for the outstanding work Allie is doing with the children in our church.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN SUMMER CHOIR, please contact Peter Van Eenam or the church office. The next available opportunity to join will be at the choir’s rehearsal following worship on July 22.

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: Drop your kids off 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!

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER is desperately in need of men’s shorts and pants sizes 30 to 34 inches, men’s socks and underwear. You can place your donations in the collection area at the base of the stairs leading to the children’s ministry area.

 **FISH DELIVERY** is Thursday, July 12th. The number of families we can help is limited by the number of delivery volunteers available. With the youth unable to get their meals while at school during the summer months - it is crucial to get as many bags of groceries in the hands of those who are truly hungry. You are needed! We deliver in pairs and the names of the food recipients can be picked up at church any time after 10 AM. If you are able to help make deliveries, please contact Sue McSween at or . Thanks for your help!

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY meets Thursday, July 12th at 1:30 p.m. in the SHOW room.

ABBAY DEADLINE is today! Send articles to unitedprinters@comcast.net .

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SHARE THE BOUNTY: You may have noticed that our 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	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
Debbie Babelay	Scott Brunger	Brian Bonnyman
Daniel Collins	James Everett	Anne Crais
Vicki Mayfield	Andrew Gordon	Amy Gilbert
Cindy Pearman	Susan McKeehan	Buz Johnson
Jay Schmid	Shawn Owens	Rachel Powell
Youth Elder: Maggie Gordon		
Clerk of Session: Georgann Byerley		
	TRUSTEES	
Alice Mercer	Reed Ellis	Wes Williams