



*“Where Faith and Life Connect”*

The Order of Worship

October 21, 2018  
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

**TWENTY-SECOND 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** Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier, BWV 731 J. S. Bach  
*Dearest Lord Jesus, We Are Here*

**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION** Building a Rainbow Shawn Owens and Angela Shilling  
**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: In the name of the Creator, who breathes life into all things, I would say to you;

**People: who have come from places of sorrow and times of celebration  
who have come seeking life reclaimed by God’s grace  
who have come sensitive to the fragile nature of life  
who have come to be the people of God**

Leader: I would say to you; know that you are in the presence of God, and whatever you have brought into this moment, there is cause for praise and gratitude. Let us worship God!

**TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 481** (blue hymnal) Praise the Lord, God’s Glories Show *Llanfair*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

O God, we come this morning as people in need, separated from you, confessing our shortsightedness. We hear the cries and sorrows of neighbors. We see the problems and injustices of the day. We feel the burdens and stress of life. Help us, Lord, to hear and to listen. Help us to see the beautiful light at the end of whatever darkness surrounds us. Help us to trust that darkness never defeats the light of your love. From you there are new mercies each morning. With you there is always a loving presence. Transform us into your trusting children that we might journey in joyous paths and faithful love.

**\*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** Selections from Job, selections from Hebrews

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

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

**SCRIPTURE** Mark 10:1-9, 35-38, 43-45

**SERMON** Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

“Things are never as good as they look and never as bad as they seem.”

Motto of a Calvinist Christian

**\*HYMN NO. 261** (blue hymnal) God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us

*O Quanta Qualia*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) from the Iona Community of Scotland

**We believe in God, whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives, whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth, whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all and whose love, defeating even death, is our glorious promise of freedom. Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt, in God we trust; and, in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves, in the service of others, to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the earth and to share the commonwealth of God’s goodness, to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the spirit of**

love, and in the company of the faithful so to be the church, for the glory of God. 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**

(9:00) All My Desire Thou Art Ian Hubbard  
arr. William McVicker

Jesus receive my heart and bring me to thy love. All my desire thou art.  
Kindle fire within me, that I may win to thy love, and see thy face in bliss  
which shall never cease, in heav’n with ne’er an ending.

Richard Rolle

Meredith Mackay, Soprano

(11:00) Holy, Loving Father G. P. da Palestrina  
Holy, loving Father, deep Thy wondrous mercy unto Thy children’s  
children, who in Thee seek wisdom, doing Thy will.

Henry Wilder Foote

**\*AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 386** (blue hymnal) (11:00) O for a World Azmon

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586** (blue hymnal) Amen Danish melody

**\*POSTLUDE** Fugue in d Johann Pachelbel

\*Indicates standing.

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY**

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK:** Rachel Powell and Scott Brunger  
**CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR OCTOBER 16-30:** Janet Tortorelli and Kathy Shilling

**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 wish to take it home.

## SERVING TODAY

**ACOLYTES** (11:00): Bobby and Frank Manrod

**GREETERS** (11:00): Penny Tschantz and Linda VanBeke

**SHEPHERD'S TEAM:** Anderson Collins

**LITURGIST:** Jaclyn Beeler

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** (11:00) Chancel Choir

**SENIOR USHER:** Elizabeth Ridley

**USHERS:**

(9:00) Bob and Lucinda Albiston

(11:00) Ann Allison-Cote, Susan Baughman, Bob Daverman, Georgann and Tom

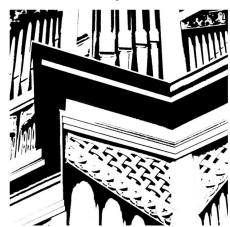
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**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given in memory of Mary McKeehan by

Kathie and Thomas Tallant.

**OUR THANKS** to Meredith Mackay for her enrichment of our worship this morning at the 9:00 service.

**GIOVANNI PIERLUIGI DA PALESTRINA (c. 1525-1594)** was one of the finest composers of polyphony in the *stile antico*. Seen as perhaps the last major composer of his era, Palestrina's form and style would soon give way to the forward-looking *stile moderno* of the early Baroque. This morning's motet is masterful in its sophisticated, yet subtle counterpoint, crystalline texture, and feeling of timelessness and serenity.



## Musica Organi

**FRIDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 2, AT 8:00,** Westminster

Church will present organist Christa Rakich in recital as part of this season's *Musica Organi* series. Ms. Rakich has served on the faculties of Westminster Choir College, Brandeis University, New England Conservatory, and the University of Connecticut, and as Assistant University Organist at Harvard. She is currently Artist-in-Residence at Somers Congregational Church in Somers, Connecticut, where she plays the Richards, Fowkes and Co.'s Opus 21 (2014). As a concert organist, she has appeared throughout the United States and Europe and was a featured recitalist at

the National Convention of the American Guild of Organists in Seattle in 2000. Her program will feature works by J. S. Bach, Nadia Boulanger, Dieterich Buxtehude, Carson Cooman, David Dahl, and Johanna Senfter. Admission is without charge, with a freewill offering taken at intermission. A nursery will be provided. Please join us for an evening of fine organ music by one of Westminster's favorite organists!

**CHRISTMAS PLAY TRYOUTS** are today, immediately following worship. Pack a lunch and come ready to do a read through of the play.

**WESTMINSTER'S 2018 HABITAT HOUSE BUILD:** We need more hands! The Habitat build dates are as follows: November 3 – WAITLISTED; November 10 – Trim and cabinets will be installed; and January 12 – The house will be dedicated

Use this link to sign up: <http://westminsterpres.knoxvillehabitat.volunteerhub.com/>

**SESSION MEETING** is next Sunday, October 28 at 12:15.

**FALL WORKDAY:** Come join us as we spruce up the church building and grounds. Saturday, November 4, from 8:00 AM to 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 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).

**THE SEASON OF STEWARDSHIP IS HERE!** October and November provide Westminster friends and families the opportunity to prayerfully consider ways we can promise to give our time, talents, and financial gifts to the church for 2019. All of us have gifts to offer which make Westminster a lively and loving place in which to worship and serve God's kingdom.

In the coming weeks, we're going to build a rainbow together, and in doing so highlight the ministries that make Westminster such an amazing place to grow and connect! Today, we're focusing on Mission and Service. (Habitat, VMC, FISH, OBY, WOW) We invite you to take the orange in our rainbow, and write the ways you enjoy and experience Mission and Service at Westminster. You may also write suggestions of how you would like to experience Mission and Service in our Westminster community. Please place the orange sheet in the collection plate, and watch the rainbow grow!

Just as the first rainbow marked God's covenant with us, let each of us enjoy this fall season and colorfully promise to give our time, talent, and financial gifts to support and enhance the life and mission of Westminster.

**BLT** with Dr. Phillips (Bible Lunch Tuesdays) begins at noon every Tuesday. You are welcome to bring your lunch and your bible and join us.

**WEDNESDAY WITH WESTMINSTER:** Our speaker this week is Westminster's own, Dr. Mike Kaufman, speaking on healthcare issues in the US. Dinner begins at 5:45, followed by presentation at 6:30.

**PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE** is deploying teams affected by Hurricane Florence and Hurricane Michael. You can give financial support by sending WPC a check with the code DR000194 on the memo line. We will forward the monies to the PDA. Your donation will be included in your annual Contribution statement from Westminster.

**TRUNK OR TREAT** is set for Sunday, October 28! The Youth and Fellowship Team are preparing for the best one yet! Westminster parking lot will be filled with games, trick-or-treating, cute little goblins, and some pretty cute bigger goblins, too! Loads of fun games including the fishing and duck pond game, Doughnut Dangle, Witch's Hat Ring Toss, and a "Cake Walk". We even have a dunking booth!! The Fellowship team is providing a pizza dinner for everyone. And let's not forget about that we have fabulous prizes for the best Trunk Decorating!!! EVERYONE is invited to this every-generation event. People who are decorating trunks or helping with games should arrive by 5:00 (that includes all the youth for game set-up.) The dinner and Trunk-or-Treating will begin at 5:30. It should be a Boooootiful evening!!

**WESTMINSTER MEN'S COVENANT BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP:** Our next meeting will be Thursday, October 25th at 7:30am. Our special guest speaker will be Jimmy Hyams, Sports Director for WNML Radio -- The Sports Animal. This is a rescheduled program from September 13th. Breakfast will be provided courtesy of Peter Tortorelli. All men of the church are welcome, bring a friend and join us for this lively discussion on UT Athletics and today's media.

**SCHILLING GALLERY GUILD** needs your help! We are looking for nativities to fill our display cases during November/December. If you have a special nativity or two that you would like to contribute for this exhibit, please deliver to the office on October 28th through 31st. Be sure to put your name on the items you will be loaning to us. We are always amazed at the variety of beautiful nativities that people in our church family have collected. If you are willing to share your nativity with our congregation, please contact Judy Jordan by cell or email.. Thank you for helping us celebrate the upcoming Christmas season.

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Debbie Bendy, *Abbey* Editor

## KID'S CORNER

Children's Sunday School begins after A Time with Children. Kids 4 years old through 4<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us downstairs where we will divide into two classes (primary and intermediate). Crafts and activities will be available during the 10:00 Adult Sunday School hour for children 4<sup>th</sup> grade and under.

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

All Sunday school classes are at 10:00 a.m. each Sunday morning.

**Bible Study** - taught by Scott Brunger, meeting in the library

**Feasting on the Word** - a lectionary-based study taught by Phil Barnette, Tim Crais, Leigh Dunlap, Linda Judge-McRae, and Andy Morgan meets in the McKinnon Room

**The Wired Word** - a current topics discussion, facilitated by Jack Carley, Jeff and Amy Gilbert, Shawn and David Owens, and John Smartt meets in the Prayer Room

**Faith and Life** - Have you ever thought about signing up for a Mission Activity, but felt you weren't ready? If so, this class is for you. On the next three Sundays you will have the chance to hear about specific opportunities, (locally, regionally, & internationally). You will have plenty of time to ask questions, and figure out how you might plug in. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall to learn more.

**LECONTE HIKE 2019:** Now is the time to register for hiking spaces to LeConte! We will be hiking on July 27, 2019. To reserve your spot - please send in \$50 per hiker (mark on the memo line of your check that it is for LeConte). The remaining balance of \$102 will be due prior to the hike. You will not want to miss this wonderful opportunity!

## THE SESSION

### Class of 2019

Debbie Babelay

Daniel Collins

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Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

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