



*“Where Faith and Life Connect”*

**The Order of Worship** **November 25, 2018**  
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

**CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY**

**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** Now Thank We All Our God Georg Philipp Telemann  
**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**  
**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: For what shall we thank our Lord?  
**People: The harvest is in and we are abundantly blessed.**  
 Leader: The earth has yielded its increase and we have much for which to praise the Creator.  
**People: Come, let us give thanks and honor to God.**

**TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 559** (blue hymnal) We Gather Together *Kremser*  
**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)  
 Righteous God,  
 you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all.  
 We confess that we have not bowed before him,  
 and are slow to acknowledge his rule.  
 We give allegiance to the powers of this world,  
 and fail to be governed by justice and love.  
 In your mercy, forgive us.  
 Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all,  
 that we may be loyal ambassadors,  
 obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**\*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 ...**

**GOSPEL LESSON** John 18:33-37  
**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN** (11:00) Lisa Kaufman  
*Children age 4 through 4<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Sunday School.*  
**EPISTLE** Revelation 1:4-8  
**SERMON** “Truth Isn’t Truth” John Linton Muntz  
 “Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.” John 18:37  
**\*HYMN NO. 145** (blue hymnal) Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart! *Marion*  
**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)

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**Almighty God, who raised Jesus Christ from the dead and set him above all rule and authority, has given to him all power in heaven and on earth, not only in this age but also in the age to come. God has put all things under the Lordship of Jesus Christ and has made Christ Head of the Church, which is his body. The Church’s life and mission are a joyful participation in Christ’s ongoing life and work.**

**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** Sing to the Lord, Rejoice! Georg Philipp Telemann  
 Sing to the Lord, rejoice! God’s love is steadfast, ever true. God is faithful from age to age. O Zion, sing, rejoice! The Lord brings peace to Zion’s hill. God’s word goes out to all the land. All earth rejoice and sing.

from Psalm 147  
*Lasst uns erfreuen*

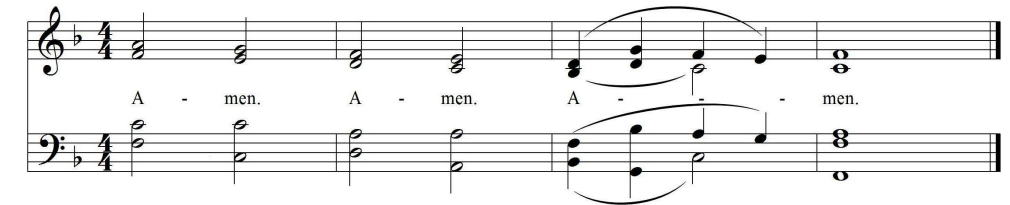
**\*AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

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

**\*HYMN NO. 551** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Come, Ye Thankful People, Come *St. George’s Windsor*

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



**\*POSTLUDE** Triumphal March on Now Thank We All Our God Sigfrid Karg-Elert

\*Indicates standing.

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY**

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK:** Amy Gilbert and Andrew Gordon  
**CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR NOV 16-30:** Susan McKeehan and Lana Daverman  
**CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR DEC 1-15:** Bill and Bonnie Rogers  
**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): Meghan Oros and Anna Grace Gilbert  
**GREETERS** (11:00): Renee Wiesehuegel and Brenda Seip  
**SHEPHERD’S TEAM:** Joe McConnell and Molly Roberson  
**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** Chancel Choir  
**SENIOR USHER:** Tim Ryan  
**USHERS:**  
 (9:00) Carol Beilharz and Robert McKeehan  
 (11:00) Marty Pryor, Brenda Seip, Susan Baughman, Janice and Rick Rawe

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by the Gordon family in memory of Betty Gordon.

**OUR THANKS** to John Brock for leading the Chancel Choir and serving as organist this morning while Peter Van Eenam is away.

**GEORG PHILIPP TELEMANN**, a contemporary of J. S. Bach, served as Kapellmeister in Eisenach, Bach's birthplace. From 1721 until his death in 1767 Telemann worked in a similar capacity in Hamburg. A most prolific composer, he wrote some 40 operas, 12 complete cycles of cantatas, 44 Passions, and hundreds of orchestral and chamber works. This morning's anthem is one of his canons, arranged in two parts with continuo accompaniment.

**KID'S CORNER**

**Nursery**- Our nursery is available for children 0-5 years old during the 9:00 service, and children 0-3 years old during the 11:00 service.

**Children's Fellowship** (10:00)- All children 4th grade and younger meet downstairs for an opportunity to spend time together completing crafts, service projects, and seasonal activities.

**Sunday School** (11:15):- Kids 4 years old - 4th grade are invited to join us downstairs for Sunday School after the children's sermon. We'll divide into two age groups and work our way through the "Holy Moly" curriculum.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

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

**Bible Study** - will resume December 2.

**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** -a rotating topics class, will resume after Christmas.

**ADVENT DEVOTIONALS** are available in the Narthex for kids and adults.

**VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER'S** critical needs this month are men's pants sizes 30-34 and men's boots. The drop off collection area at Westminster can be found at the base of the stairwell leading to the Children's education wing.

**THE ANGEL TREE:** This year we are blessed to have our own Angel Tree in the Schilling Gallery! It will be at Westminster on Sunday, November 25th. Please take a wish or wishes and return your gifts by Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. Thank you so much for helping the children!

**SHOW AND WAMS** will take a Thanksgiving break and meet back up December 2 for a make-and-take Christmas cookie baking extravaganza!

**UPCOMING DECEMBER EVENTS**

**Sunday, December 9**

11:00 AM - ONE SERVICE

6:00 PM - Youth Christmas Play "Angels and other Strangers"

**Monday, December 10**

5:00 PM - Adult Angel Tree Distribution Project

**Wednesday, December 12**

5:30 PM - Advent Craft Night and Dinner

7:00 PM - Knox Youth Jazz Orchestra Concert

**Sunday, December 16**

9:00 and 11:00 AM - Worship

10:00 AM - Christmas Breakfast

**Sunday, December 23**

9:00 and 11:00 AM - Worship

12:15 PM - Christmas Caroling Pot-Luck and Sing-a-Long



**Westminster Youth Christmas Drama Presents**

**"Angels and Other Strangers"**

December 9, 2018

6:00 PM



**BEARDEN NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP** will gather for Happy Hour at Cindy Spangler's home, 4175 Ridgeway Lane, on Friday, November 30, 4:30-6:30 PM. Please RSVP to Cindy or Kristi Gordon

**ADVENT FLORAL DONATIONS** are being accepted. There is no set amount for each dedication. A list of donations will be included in the Christmas Eve bulletins as well as the *Abbey*. Donations can be placed in the offering plate or brought to the office.



I would like to contribute to the Flower Guild for Advent:

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In memory of/honor of (circle one):

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Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

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**VOLUNTEER MINISTRY CENTER HOLIDAY STORE** is a program through which recipients of VMC services earn gift items for their loved ones with points accrued through community service. Individuals redeem their points to purchase items they select at the Holiday Store. We have the opportunity to help stock the VMC Holiday Store with items such as: basketballs and footballs, dolls, infant toys, craft sets for children and adults, cosmetic sets, hair care sets, fragrance sets for men and women, tool kits, small kitchen appliances, or other similar things that would be nice gifts. Donations are being collected in the large decorated box in the Schilling Gallery.

**CALLING ALL ARTISTS:** We are having an auction to benefit the youth and their pilgrimage to Ghost Ranch this summer. Please submit donations by December 31.

**ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR:** On Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, our annual Alternative Christmas Bazaar will take place in the Schilling Gallery between the 9:00 and 11:00 worship services. As many of you know, the Bazaar provides our members with an opportunity to purchase thoughtful Christmas gifts, with the proceeds going toward the support of several worthwhile causes. Several groups are expected to be there with their items to sell. The Mission Service Team hopes that you will participate in this very worthwhile event.

**THE SESSION**

**Class of 2019**

Debbie Babelay

Daniel Collins

Vicki Mayfield

Cindy Pearman

Jay Schmid

Youth Elder: Maggie Gordon

Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

**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

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