



“Where Faith and Life Connect”

The Order of Worship

**January 27, 2019
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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 “...No darkness at all...” Ned Rorem
 ‘God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all...’
 —Walt Whitman, recalling fifty years later how Elias Hicks thus quoted Christ.
 (from *A Quaker Reader*)

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (11:00) O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright *Puer nobis nascitur*
 adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1609
 harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward and Peter Van Eenam

O splendor of God’s glory bright, From light eternal bringing light; Thou light of life, light’s living spring, True day, all days illumining:

Come, Holy Sun of heav’nly love, Show’r down Thy radiance from above, And to our inward hearts convey The Holy Spirit’s cloudless ray.

O Lord, with each returning morn Thine image to our hearts is born; O may we

ever clearly see Our Savior and our God in Thee!

Ambrose of Milan, c. 374

Boys’ and Girls’ Choirs

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 19 (Paraphrase)

Leader: The heavens above and the earth below reflect the glory of a gracious and loving Creator.

People: **Without sounds and words, the message of God’s goodness yet shines through all creation.**

Leader: God also speaks to us through teachings and instructions for living as God’s people.

People: **The way of the LORD is the way of wisdom, and God’s wisdom guides us and gives joy and light.**

Leader: Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts...

People: **be acceptable to you, O LORD, our rock and our redeemer.**

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 466** (blue hymnal) O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing *Azmon*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Gracious God, Jesus came to bring good news, to mend and to heal, to release and to redeem, and to proclaim your impending kingdom of justice. We confess that we have neglected his message. Some of us have not grown in the faith because we practice religion without spirituality, and we become stuck where we are, clinging to traditions and customs that do not give life. Others of us do not know where we are because we practice spirituality without religion, without tradition and community, forgetting that it takes a village to raise a child of God. Forgive the false choices by which we live and through your Spirit renew, revive and forgive us, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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** Gloria Patri No. 576 (blue hymnal) Jacques Berthier

TO EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING Nehemiah selections, I Corinthians 12:12-31

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Julia Whipple
Children age 4 through 4th grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 4:14-29

SERMON “The Kin-dom of God” Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

***HYMN NO. 438** (blue hymnal) Blest Be the Tie That Binds *Dennis*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) 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

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.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

(9:00) O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright *Puer nobis nascitur*

(11:00) O Gracious Light Russell Schulz-Widmar

O gracious Light, pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed! Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light, we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of life, and to be glorified through all the worlds.

from The Book of Common Prayer, 1979

***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. 332** (blue hymnal) (11:00) Live Into Hope *Truro*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** (9:00) Go Now in Peace Natalie Sleeth
 arr. Peter Van Eenam

Go now in peace; may the love of God surround you ev’rywhere you may go.

Natalie Sleeth

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (11:00)

Hymn No. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen Danish melody

***POSTLUDE** Prélude (from *Suite on the Second Tone*) Jean Adam Guilain

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Anne Crais and Scott Brunger
CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR JANUARY: Bonny Naugher and Brenda Seip
CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR FEBRUARY: 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

ACOLYTES (11:00): Will Manrod and Tanner Losch

GREETERS (11:00): William and Darlen Milam

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Boys' and Girls' Choirs

(11:00) Boys', Chancel, and Girls' Choirs

SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Brad Pearman

SENIOR USHER: Hap McSween

USHERS:

(9:00) Stephanie Lynch-Wright, Cile Mathews

(11:00) John Romeiser, Scott Rutherford, John Salsbery, Brenda Seip and Penny Tschantz

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Gail Latimer in memory of her father, Bill McDonald, on his birthday, January 26.

THE BIRTH CANDLE is lit today in celebration of Winn Holmes born December 31, granddaughter to Jan and Tommy Holmes and parents, David and Ginny Holmes.

JEAN ADAM GUILAIN was born in Germany and lived from around 1680 until sometime after 1739, spending much of his career as an organist and harpsichordist in Paris. Moving to France sometime before 1702, he is believed to have studied with Louis Marchand, to whom his collection of organ works, published in 1706, is dedicated. These organ works appear in suites, each written on a different church mode (or scale), intended for use with the magnificat (the organ movements alternating with the sung parts of the liturgy). This morning's piece is played on the principal chorus and features pungent dissonances and broad motion.



MUSICA ORGANI will present German-born organist Jens Korndörfer in recital on Friday evening, February 8, at 8:00. He is a triple prizewinner of the Canadian International Organ Competition and Director of Worship and the Arts and Organist at First Presbyterian Church, Atlanta. His program will feature works by J. S. Bach, Daquin, Rheinberger, and Sweelinck, among others. We hope you'll join us for an enjoyable evening of fine organ music. A nursery will be provided. For more information, please visit the *Musica Organi* website at www.musicaorgani.org.

A SESSION MEETING follows worship today at 12:15 in the McKinnon Room.

WWW this week is from our church members who went on the adult trip to New Mexico, *New Mexi-Quest 2018*. Please join us to hear about their adventures. As always, dinner begins at 5:45, and the program is at 6:30. Please RSVP to Mary at .

SHOW AND WAMS: We are gaming and creating! Tonight's youth activity is playing our favorite online "art" game, Drawful!! We'll also be creating some fun paper art, doing origami, and LED light-up cards!! We will also "create" our own dinner with a potato bar! The fun starts at 5:00 p.m. and will wrap up by 7:00 p.m. Bring a phone or "device", for playing the game!!

THE AUCTION IS OPEN! You will need to get your bidding number to begin. You will use this number to place your bids on any of the artwork in the gallery. Remember this Silent Auction benefits our youth's pilgrimage to Ghost Ranch in New Mexico!! The auction will conclude at our "BIG EVENT" Sunday, February 10, when we have our Chili/Dessert cook off. ALL the youth will also be offering their gifts and services in a live (and very entertaining) auction. The youth are offering things like lawn service, babysitting, technology lessons, and sports lessons. This promises to be a great event, and we hope you ALL will come join in the fun!! The youth and staff want thank everyone for supporting our spiritual journeys!!

VMC needs men's jeans, men and women's shoes, deodorant, toothpaste and socks. You can drop off your donations in the VMC donation area at the base of the stairs leading to the Children's education wing.

EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will meet Monday, January 28 at 7:00 PM in the Library.

WESTMINSTER PLAYERS: Westminster is going to present a MUSICAL this spring!! On April 5-7 our talented members will be presenting Stephen Schwartz's GODSPELL!!!! Auditions will be Sunday, February 3 (after church) and Monday, February 4 (at 6:30.) This musical has many full cast, chorus numbers and 10 "lead" roles. It will be a wonderful opportunity to make music together, and build community. Please consider auditioning! Questions? Ask Barbara Adamcik!

WESTMINSTER'S ANNUAL PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Friday, February 1st, 6:00 pm

The Progressive Dinner is a great way to get to know new members as well as catch up with members you've known for a while. Many thanks to the 80 people who have already signed up! Sign-up sheets are in the Schilling Gallery. Please note whether you'll bring an appetizer or will contribute to the beverage fund. If you need a gluten free dinner, please also note that on the sign-up sheet. **Please RSVP by TODAY!** We begin the evening with appetizers and fellowship at 6:00 p.m. at Buckingham Clubhouse, At 6:30 we divide into groups and go to our host's homes for dinner and dessert. The dinner is catered by The Olive Garden. The cost of \$12 per person is collected when we gather for appetizers.



Progressive Dinner!

BLT with Dr. Phillips (Bible Lunch Tuesdays) will start back up January 29 at noon in the McKinnon Room. The study is continuing through Genesis but don't worry about missing or catching up, you can join at any point. At the January 29 BLT, we will recap Genesis 16-17, 21. Bring your lunch and your bible and join us.

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KIDS CORNER

Children's Sunday School begins after A Time with Children. Kids 4 years old through 4th 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 4th grade and under.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS

All Sunday school classes begin at 10:00 a.m. each week.

Bible Study - Adult Bible study meets in the library and is led by Scott Brunger.

The Wired Word - Led by a rotating group of teachers, this class takes a look at how scripture addresses current topics. All you need is a smart phone or tablet. The class meets in the Prayer Room.

Feasting on the Word - This lectionary-based study provides some background for the scriptures read during worship each week. Also led by a teaching team, this class meets in the McKinnon Room.

Welcome to Westminster - Three classes focusing on faith and life at Westminster begins today. Meet Dr. Phillips in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM for the first class.

LEFTOVER DISHES: If you provided food for the Christmas Breakfast or recent funerals, please check the table in the Schilling Gallery for anything you may have forgotten to take with you!

Class of 2019

Debbie Babelay

Daniel Collins

Vicki Mayfield

Cindy Pearman

Jay Schmid

Youth Elder: Maggie Gordon

Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

Alice Mercer

THE SESSION

Class of 2020

Scott Brunger

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