



The Order of Worship

February 2, 2020  
9:00 A.M.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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** Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele, BWV 654 J. S. Bach  
*Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness*  
(from the *Leipzig Chorales*)

**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *excerpted from Psalm 15 and Micah 6*

Leader: O Lord, who may abide in your tent; who may dwell on your holy hill?  
People: Those who walk blamelessly and do what is right, and speak the truth from their heart.  
Leader: And what does the Lord require?  
People: To do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

**HYMN NO. 298** (purple hymnal) Lord, You Give the Great Commission  
*Abbot's Leigh*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*LITANY OF CONFESSION** (Unison) from Matthew 5:3-10

Leader: Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
People: **Forgive us our spiritual arrogance.**  
Leader: Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted,  
People: **Forgive us our lack of compassion.**  
Leader: Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.,  
People: **Forgive us our misplaced aggression.**  
Leader: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst, for they shall be satisfied.  
Forgive us our gluttony.  
People: **Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.**  
Leader: Forgive us our hardened hearts.  
People: **Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.**  
Leader: Forgive us our half-hearted commitment.  
People: **Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.**  
Leader: Forgive us for supporting war and choosing violence.  
People: **Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the realm of heaven.**  
Leader: Forgive us for not taking a stand for justice.

**\*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

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!  
Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

**PROPHECY** Micah 6:1-8  
**EPISTLE** I Corinthians 1:18-31  
**SERMON** "Words or Deeds?" John Linton Muntz  
*"With what shall I come before the Lord?" Micah 6:6*

**\*HYMN NO. 450** (purple hymnal) Be Thou My Vision *Slane*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison)

We believe in God, Creator and Provider, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good. We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of God's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death. We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine Presence in our lives, by whom we are reminded of the truth of Christ, and find strength in time of need. We believe that this faith will manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the Kingdom of God will come upon the earth.

**THE OFFERING**

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle.  
**OFFERTORY** In the Bleak Midwinter Gustav Holst  
arr. Matthew Prins

Four-in-Hand Ringers

**\*AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology *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**

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

**THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** (responsive)

Leader: The Lord be with you.  
People: **And also with you.**  
Leader: Lift up your hearts.  
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**  
(Prayer continues)...to the glory of your name.  
People: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.**

(Prayer continues)...Great is the mystery of faith.

People: **O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (Unison)

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**SHARING THE SACRAMENT**

*Beginning from the front of the sanctuary, we will come forward by the center aisle, take or tear a morsel of bread and dip it into the chalice before partaking. We return to the pew by the side aisle.*

**MUSIC FOR COMMUNION** Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele Michael Beyer

**PRAYER AFTER THE TABLE**

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul;  
People: **And all that is within me, bless God's holy name.**  
Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul;  
People: **And forget not all his benefits.**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

**\*POSTLUDE** Sonata No. 2, Movement III

Danish melody  
Felix Mendelssohn

\*Indicates standing.

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY**

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK:** Shawn Owens and James Everett  
**CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR FEBRUARY:** Janet Drumm  
**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES** are available from ushers.

**SERVING TODAY**

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** Four-in-Hand Ringers

**SHEPHERD’S TEAM:** Rick Rawe

**SENIOR USHER:** Tom Byerley

**USHERS:** Daniel Berry and Scott Brunger

**THE FLOWERS TODAY ARE GIVEN** by Elizabeth and Josh Birdwell in celebration of their son Grant’s 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday.

**RECEPTION** following the 11:00 service today: A reception in honor of Barbara Adamcik and Mary Boyd will be held immediately after the 11:00 service in the Schilling Gallery. Please join us for cake and snacks and take a moment to congratulate Barbara and Mary on becoming Commissioned Lay Pastors. We appreciate the time and effort they dedicated to completing the requirements of the CLP program, and we look forward to their continued service at Westminster.

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING:** The youth's *Souper Bowl of Caring* is TODAY after the church service. The youth will be taking donations for an organization that is very important to them. They'll be collecting funds for the Northern New Mexico Youth Project!! This organization helps at-risk youth learn to plan, build, and maintain a community garden which both feeds the community and helps youth learn valuable life skills and responsibility. The NNMYP is helping kids find alternatives to gangs and other risky behaviors. The youth are excited that we all can continue helping this wonderful organization!!

**MATTHEW PRINS**, the arranger of this morning’s prelude, is currently director of handbells at two churches in the Chicago area: First Congregational Church of Glen Ellyn and Park Ridge Presbyterian Church. Our Four-in-Hand Ringers have enjoyed playing a number of his arrangements during Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. Many thanks to Jan Barber for discovering his music!

**WAMS (5TH-8TH GRADE)** is going Super-Bowling! We will meet at the Family Bowl on 213 Hayfield Road from 2:00-4:00. Bring \$10 to cover 2 games, shoes, and a snack. Of course there will be fabulous prizes for low and high rollers, alike!! Parents are invited and welcome to join the fun!

**SHOW (8TH-12TH GRADE)** is having a super-fun, Super Bowl party at Bobby Manrod's house (party central!) Our parties are as much about our own games as the real game. We will be playing SuperBowl Commercial Bingo, Guess-the-score, predict the Halftime Tunes, and Hit Us With Your Best Joke!! We'll meet at 10027 Double Tree Rd. Knoxville 37932 at 5:00.

**MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT** will be held on February 11 at 6:30 pm for refreshments (provided by the Christian Formation ministry team) and meetings beginning at 7:00 pm.

**PHOTO DIRECTORY:** Is your family growing with new or growing babies? Do you have an up-to-date photo of yourself or family that you would like to include in our WPC Photo Directory? We are always accepting photos (4x6 horizontal format the best). Please email them to [melissa\\_wpc@comcast.net](mailto:melissa_wpc@comcast.net).

**WEDNESDAYS WITH WESTMINSTER** will begin on February 5!! We will continue our "Meeting Our Faith Neighbors" series. Friends we'll meet this semester are Dor L'Dor Klezmer Band, a Gospel Hymn Sing with our friends from Emmanuel Presbyterian, and a "How to Gregorian Chant" session with Adrian Hartsough and friends!! As usual, the evening will begin with a yummy supper that will ALWAYS include family (child)-friendly food like nuggets or Mac 'n cheese. Dinner starts at 5:45, and the program is from 6:30-7:30. Come join the fun!!

**THE MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP** will meet this Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in the SHOW room.

**PROGRESSIVE DINNER:** Friday, February 7, 6:00-9:00 p.m. We will gather for appetizers at the Buckingham Clubhouse at 6:00 p.m. When signing up, either commit to bring an appetizer or make a donation to the “Social Hour Fund” to help offset the cost of the beverages. During the appetizer portion of the evening, you will be given your host’s name and directions to their home. Be sure to indicate if you need a gluten free meal. The nursery staff will be at church for those who need childcare for their children. Please note when signing up if you need this service in order for Allie to arrange enough babysitters. The cost for each participant is \$12 (payable at the event). The hosts are our guests for the evening and do not pay. We appreciate all for hosting this event. **Today is the final day to RSVP.**

**HELP US WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:** Join us in the Schilling Gallery on February 9, following the 11:00 a.m. worship service, for our New Member Reception. At the reception, you'll also have an opportunity to meet and greet new members and to pick up new pages with members' pictures and contact information that you can add to your church directory. If you can't make the reception, you can find the newest directory pages on the small table under the bulletin board in the gallery or upon request in the church office. A growing church is such a blessing! We look forward to seeing you on February 9 as we extend special hospitality to our newest members.

**FISH DELIVERY** needs big HELP for February delivery people!! If you could give a couple hours to the Fish Program on February 13, you would be giving a helping hand to many families in need. Please sign up and help Westminster reach those in need this winter season. Contact Georgann Byerley if you can help, 679-9618.

**JUSTICE KNOX MEETING:** Thursday, February 13th at 6 pm at First Presbyterian Church (620 State Street) in the James Park Room Justice Knox will have Leon Evans, national expert, speak to the Knoxville community on better ways to help those with mental health challenges other than sending them to jail. Carpools will leave WPC at 5:15 pm. Contact Jackie at [peacefully35@gmail.com](mailto:peacefully35@gmail.com) and we won't leave without you!

**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** has been called for Sunday, February 16 after 11:00 a.m. worship service to review terms of call for the senior pastor, present the 2020 operating budget, and elect three at-large members of the Nominating Committee.

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Rev. Gradye Parsons, Parish Associate

Peter Van Eenam, Organist and Choirmaster

Barbara Adamcik, Director of Youth and Connectional Ministries

Allie Brewington, Director of Children’s Ministries

Mary Boyd, Education Coordinator

Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Melissa Everett, Administrative Assistant

Daniel Lewis, Youth Assistant

Debbie Bendy, *Abbey* Editor

**KIDS CORNER**

**9:00 am**

Ages 0-5 years old: Nursery available

Ages 6 years old and up: remain in the Sanctuary

**10:00 am**

Ages 0-2nd grade: Fellowship time in nursery

Grades 3rd-4th grade: Sunday school in the downstairs Prayer Room

**11:00 am**

**Ages 0-3 years old: Nursery available**

4 years old-2nd grade: in Sanctuary until Time with the Children,

then downstairs for Sunday school

Children 3rd grade and up: remain in the sanctuary

**Adult Sunday School**

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.

**THE SESSION**

**Class of 2020**

Scott Brunger

James Everett

Andrew Gordon

Susan McKeehan

Shawn Owens

Youth Elder: Katie Rogers

Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

**Class of 2021**

Brian Bonnyman

Anne Crais

Amy Gilbert

Buz Johnson

Rachel Powell

**TRUSTEES**

Reed Ellis

Jeff Browning

**Class of 2022**

Bob Albiston

Janet Drumm

Colleen Manrod

Charlie Mercer

Leslie Versen

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