

"Where Faith and Life Connect"

The Order of Worship

July 25, 2021 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

(9:00) Adagio (from Sonata No. 2 for the Organ, Op. 65) Felix Mendelssohn (11:00) Jesus, Priceless Treasure Johann Gottfried Walther

Chorale and four variations

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The foolish say, "There is no God! We are alone, on our own."

People: We gather to declare the glory of God in our lives.

Leader: The foolish say, "It is your life; you are accountable to no one."

People: We gather, strengthened by the Spirit, trusting that Christ dwells in

our hearts.

Leader: The foolish say, "Everything I have is mine; I owe nothing to anyone."

People: We gather to praise the One who calls us to serve others in love.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 442 (blue hymnal) The Church's One Foundation

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison Prayer of Forgiveness)

Gracious Lord: deep within, we know how we have failed to be your people. Our hardened hearts are closed to the love of Christ; our lust for more and more blocks the fullness of your grace from transforming our lives; our trust in the powers of the world reveals our foolish nature. Have mercy, God of every generation. Pour out the rich blessing of forgiveness on our parched souls. Feed us with Heaven's Bread, so we might be nourished by your gentleness. Shape us as your people, and restore us to faithful living, as we seek to follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in service to everyone we meet.

*KYRIE ELEISON NO. 574 (blue hymnal)

arr. David N. Johnson

Aurelia

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 READING

Ephesians 3:14-21

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Rachel Powell

Children age 3 to 8 are invited to go to the playground after the lesson.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 6: 1-21

SERMON Rev. Gradye Parsons "Enough" *HYMN NO. 769 (Glory to God hymnal) For Everyone Born For Everyone Born

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

We share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind; have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism,

eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one Name, are obedient to one Lord,

work for one cause, and share one hope.

Together we come to know

the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ;

are built up to the stature of Christ, to the new humanity;

know and bear one another's burdens,

thereby fulfilling the law of Christ

that we need one another and up build one another,

admonishing and comforting one another;

that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness.

Together we pray; together we serve God in this world.

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

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) Precious Lord

Thomas A. Dorsey

Precious Lord take my hand, lead me on let me stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light; Take my hand Precious Lord, lead me on.

When the way grows drear, Precious Lord linger near, when my life is almost done; Hear my cry, hear my call, lead me on lest I fall; Take my hand Precious Lord, lead me on.

Thomas A. Dorsey

Bill Rogers, Baritone and Guitar

(11:00) Teach Me, O Lord

Thomas Attwood

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end.

Psalm 119:33

*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology No. 608 (Glory to God hymnal) Tallis' Canon (Sung to the tune of Hymn No. 748 (Glory to God hymnal))

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*HYMN NO. 700 (Glory to God hymnal) (11:00) I'm Gonna Live

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*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Amen

Danish melody

*POSTLUDE

(9:00) Allegro moderato

Felix Mendelssohn

(from Sonata No. 2 for the Organ, Op. 65)

(11:00) Jesus, Priceless Treasure Johann Gottfried Walther Finale

*Indicates standing.

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NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS * * * * * * * * * *

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

<u>PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK</u>: Jaclyn Beeler and Bill Wiesehuegel <u>CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR</u>: Lana Daverman and Susan McKeehan <u>LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES</u> are available from the ushers.

<u>PLEASE</u> place your bulletin into a blue recycling bin located at the Narthex door if you do not care to take it home.

SERVING TODAY

LITURGIST: Daniel Lewis

GREETERS (11:00): Tom and Georgann Byerley

SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Michael Betz

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: (11:00) Chancel Choir

SENIOR USHER: Melissa Everett

USHERS:

(9:00) Kathy Huck, Stephanie Lynch-Wright

(11:00) Bonny Naugher, Kristi Gordon, Bill Holt, Linda VanBeke, Reed Ellis

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Anne and Tim Crais in honor of their children: Andy (Aubrie), Christy (Jonathan), and Matthew (Danielle) and their grandchildren: Whit, Piper, Hannah, Ellie, and Abbie.

<u>OUR THANKS</u> to Bill Rogers for his enrichment of our worship this morning, and to John Brock for leading the Chancel Choir and serving as organist while Peter Van Eenam is on vacation.

THOMAS A. DORSEY (1899-1993) is widely considered the father of gospel music, having brought together, during the early 1930s, secular blues and sacred texts. Leaving school at age 11 "Georgia Tom" played piano for blues artist Ma Rainey and her Wild Cats Jazz Band, but at 21 he suffered the first of two nervous breakdowns. Following the second, which led to a reassessment of his life's goals and musical direction, he committed himself to composing sacred music, though at first many mainstream churches rejected his songs. In August 1932 his life was again touched by tragedy when his wife and son died in childbirth. It was from his grief that *Take My Hand, Precious Lord* emerged.

LEMONADE TIME: Join us after the 11am worship service for a glass of lemonade while you fellowship with your Westminster family. The table will be set up in the Schilling Gallery.

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. If you are not familiar with this, our table provides a space to share the bounty from our personal gardens and our very own Westminster organic garden. 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.

<u>PAVILION PRINTS AND NOTECARDS AVAILABLE</u>: The Ruthie Carey Pavilion prints and notecards are now available for purchase. The matted prints are 12 x 16 and are \$150.00, a pack of eight notecards are \$25.00. We appreciate all of Kathryn Oakes's talents and her generosity to donate most of the proceeds from the sale to the pavilion maintenance fund. They are located in the church office.

MOTHER'S MORNING OUT: This service will be available Mondays and Wednesdays 9:00-12:00 until August 4. Kids 0-10 years old are welcome, and older siblings are welcome to come as "volunteers" to help the nursery workers. The cost is \$10/child a day. You can attend as often or as little as you would like. Let Allie know if you are interested! allie_wpc@comcast.net.



SHOW BIBLE STUDY is Tuesdays at 6:30 in the SHOW room! Dinner is provided.



<u>SUMMER WORSHIP RETURNS AUGUST 1!</u> We will transition to a single service for all August Sundays and September 5. This will be one worship service in the sanctuary at 10:00 am!

The Adult Bible Study class will meet at 9:00 am and the Feasting on the Word class will meet at 11:00 am during this summer schedule.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Feasting on the Word

This lectionary-based class meets each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the pavilion. From August 1 through September 5, this class will meet each Sunday following the 10:00 am worship service.

Bible Study

The Adult Bible Study class is studying Ephesians each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the McKinnon Room with a Zoom option.

From August 1 through September 5, this class will meet each Sunday at 9:00 am in the McKinnon Room with a Zoom option.

Congregational Chat Zoom with John & Ibbie Muntz

Will meet Mondays at 7:00 pm, the link can be found in E-news.

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