

The Order of Worship

August 8, 2021 10:00 A.M.

#### **ELEVENTH 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** Préambule (from 24 Pieces in Free Style)

Louis Vierne

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

Leader: The Spirit of God calls us to worship.

People: In God's Spirit, we rejoice and give thanks.

Leader: The glory of God calls us to praise.

People: In God's glory, we meet the mysteries of the Holy.

The wisdom of God summons us to live with goodness and truth.

People: In God's wisdom, we find grace for living our lives.

Leader: The love of God calls us to service.

People: In God's love, we are filled with strength and peace.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: At all times and for everything!

#### TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

\*HYMN NO. 611 (Glory to God hymnal) Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee Hymn to Joy \*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, hear our confession as a community of faith. Forgive our lack of gratitude in times of calm and our lack of faithfulness in stormy times. Heal the brokenness that separates us one from another and from our own best selves. Rescue us from the fears that cause us to be less than you have created us to be. Turn us from quarrels that hurt and destroy. Grant us new depths of caring for others. Lead us to be more faithful stewards of your creation. This we pray 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

#### \*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** 

**SERMON** 

John 6:35, 41-51

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Deborah Phillips

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

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

"Gone to Meddlin"

Ephesians 4:25-5:2 Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

\*HYMN NO. 493 (Glory to God hymnal) Now There Is No Male or Female

Omni die (Trier)

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

Creed of the United Church of Canada (Reformed)

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

#### **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.

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. 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.

#### 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** Alma Redemptoris Mater

Marcel Dupré

Loving Mother of the Redeemer

(from Eight Short Preludes on Gregorian Themes)

\*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. 300 (*Glory to God* hymnal) We Are One in the Spirit

They'll Know We Are Christians

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Amen

Danish melody

\*POSTLUDE Caprice sur les Grands Jeux

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

(from Suite on the Second Tone)

\*Indicates standing.

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NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Janet Drumm and Chris Van Beke CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR AUGUST: Lana Daverman and Susan McKeehan

**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES** 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: Mary Boyd

GREETERS: Amy Rawe and Joyce Ryan SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Hap McSween SENIOR USHER: Alice Mercer

**USHERS:** Betty McKeehan, Rob and Susan McKeehan, Mark Potocik, and Shirley Wittman

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Ginger Elting. Thanks be to God for the joy of worshiping together again.

THE BIRTH CANDLE LIT TODAY is in celebration of our newest baby of the congregation. Douglas Eliza Carey was welcomed home by big brother Greer and loving parents Miranda and Nick Carey. Proud grandfather Bart Carey is over the moon with his seventh grandchild. Thanks be to God!

THIS MORNING'S POSTLUDE comes from the first of two suites of organ music by Louis-Nicolas Clérambault. Whenever I share this music, I am happily reminded of the late Jayme McMurry and her late husband, Searle, who gave me the volume containing these as a gift not long after joining the Chancel Choir in the early 1980s. In their honor and memory, I want to again lift up this dear couple and share that during their time with us they were wonderfully generous, devoted, and steadfast supporters of the choirs, the music program, and Westminster, and that their gift towards our sanctuary organ enabled our organ committee and the organbuilders to design an instrument that would bring to life centuries of organ repertoire, beautifully accompany the choirs, and inspire our hymn singing. Thanks be to God always for bringing Jayme and Searle into our midst!

**LEMONADE TIME:** Join us after worship 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.

**SUMMER WORSHIP:** We will have a single service for all August Sundays and September 5. This will be one worship service in the sanctuary at 10:00 am!

<u>TUESDAY MORNING BOOK GROUP</u> will meet on August 17 at 10:30 am in the Ruthie Carey pavilion. Kaye Davis will discuss *The Book of Longings: A Novel* by Sue Monk Kidd. Please see Linda Rutherford if you have any questions. We hope that you make plans to join in on the discussion.

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

<u>FISH</u> delivery is Thursday, August 12. If you are able to help make deliveries, please contact Georgann Byerley. The number of families receiving bags of groceries is dependent on the number of Westminster volunteers. YOU are needed!

<u>A NEW SCOTLAND TOUR</u> is forming for June 2022. Plenty of room for more travelers. Contact Mary Boyd for a flyer and more information.

#### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

# **Feasting on the Word**

TIME ADJUSTMENT! This lectionary-based class meets each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the pavilion.

#### **Bible Study**

The Adult Bible Study class is studying Ephesians each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. 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.

ONLINE CHURCH DIRECTORY: You can submit a new photo any time throughout the year. Please send any updated family photos or new photos to the church office so that we may update the online church directory. Many of you have been using this resource and we want to keep it up-to-date. You can email photos to renee\_wpc@comcast.net. If you aren't currently using the online directory, we would be more than happy to provide you with the username and password for accessibility.

#### WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**PAVILION PRINTS AND NOTECARDS AVAILABLE**: The Ruthie Carey Pavilion prints and notecards by Kathryn Oakes are now available for purchase. The matted prints are 12 x 16 and are \$150.00, a pack of eight notecards are \$25.00. The proceeds from the sale of the artwork will go to the pavilion maintenance fund. They are available in the church office.

# **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

- ✓ You don't want to miss September 12. We will join together for outdoor fellowship on the church grounds with our *Rally and Reconnect* event. More info coming soon.
- Our annual Breakfast in the Smokies sponsored by the Fellowship Team will take place at the Metcalf picnic shelter on Saturday, October 2, beginning at 9 am. Details to follow.
- ✓ Oktoberfest sponsored by our Connect Team is scheduled for October 24 at 6:00 pm.

#### THE SESSION

Class of 2024 Class of 2022 Class of 2023 **Bob Albiston** Jaclyn Beeler Josh Birdwell **Janet Drumm** Jack Carley Gloria Borum Colleen Manrod William Milam Melanie Lewis Lisa Oros Charlie Mercer Penny Tschantz Bill Wiesehuegel Leslie Versen Chris Van Beke

Youth Elder: Sophia Manrod Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

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