



The Order of Worship

October 3, 2021  
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

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 Le banquet céleste Olivier Messiaen

*The Celestial Banquet*

“Celui qui mange ma chair et boit mon sang demeure en moi et moi en lui.”

“He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.”

John 6:56

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (11:00) Les Géants Tombent ICF Worship in Switzerland

Meredith Mackay, Soprano

JP Mackay, Guitar

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the name of the Creator, who breathes life into all things, I would say to you;

People: **who have come from places of sorrow and times of celebration who have come seeking life reclaimed by God’s grace**

who have come sensitive to the fragile nature of life

who have come to be the people of God

Leader: I would say to you; know that you are in the presence of God, and whatever you have brought into this moment, there is cause for praise and gratitude. Let us worship God!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

\*HYMN NO. 321 (Glory to God hymnal) The Church’s One Foundation Aurelia

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison) St. Augustine (354-430)

God of our life, there are days when the burdens we carry chafe our shoulders and weigh us down; when the road seems dreary and endless, the skies grey and threatening; when our lives have no music in them, and our hearts are lonely, and our souls have lost courage. Flood the path with light, we beseech thee; turn our eyes to where the skies are full of promise; tune our hearts to brave music; give us a sense of community with heroes and saints of every age and so revive our spirits that we may be able to encourage the souls of all who journey with us on the road of life, to Thy honor and glory. Amen.

\*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 ...

SCRIPTURE READING Selections from Job and Hebrews

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Melanie Lewis

Children age 4 through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to go to the playground after the lesson.

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 10:2-16

SERMON “Not a Three-Point Sermon” Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips

\*HYMN NO. 498 (Glory to God hymnal) Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

*Beach Spring*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) from the Iona Community of Scotland

**We believe in God, whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives, whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth, whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all and whose love, defeating even death, is our glorious promise of freedom. Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt, in God we trust; and, in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves, in the service of others, to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the earth and to share the commonwealth of God’s goodness, to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the spirit of love, and in the company of the faithful so to be the church, for the glory of God. Amen.**

THE OFFERING

*Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

(9:00) Les Géants Tombent ICF Worship in Switzerland

(The text is found at the Introit.)

(11:00) Dide ta Deo Nigerian folk song

arr. Uzee Brown, Jr.

Dide ta Deo Baba rere, Awa fogpe funo Alolayo, Abolayo; Awayi Jesu Logo.

*That we are back home, Good Father, We give Thee thanks. We journeyed safely, We arrived safely; We praise Thee, Jesus Christ.*

Barbara Adamcik, Shakers

Robert Adamcik, Bongos

Robert Albiston, Dundun

Bobby Powell, Hand Drum

Debbie Schmid, Woodblock

Renee Wiesehuegel, Claves

\*AT THE PRESENTATION For the Life That You Have Given *Pleading Savior*

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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ... The Lord’s Prayer

**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.**

\*HYMN NO. 507 (Glory to God hymnal) Come to the Table of Grace *Table of Grace*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE SACRAMENT

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (9:00)

Hymn No. 535 (blue hymnal) Go with Us, Lord *Tallis’ Canon*

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (11:00) Dakota Prayer Dadee Reilly

Bless the wind upon the plains and send the summer rains for thirsty grass to drink. God bless the prairie. Bless the wolf and buffalo, the deer and antelope, and fill my heart with hope. God bless the prairie. Bless the stars that shine at night; Bless the moon with lasting light. Bless the sun upon my face And lead me place to place, Which way thy Spirit goes. God bless the prairie. Amen.

Dadee Reilly

Women of the Chancel Choir

\*POSTLUDE Offertorio Domenico Zipoli

(from *Sonate d’intavolatura per organo e cimbalo*, 1716)

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY**

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK:** Melanie Lewis and Bill Wieseuegel  
**CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR OCTOBER:** Cindy Spangler  
**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES** are available from ushers.

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Allie Brewington, Director of Children’s Ministries

Renee Wieseuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Melissa Everett, Administrative Assistant

Daniel Lewis, Youth Assistant

Debbie Bendy, *Abbey* Editor

**SERVING TODAY**

**GREETERS** (11:00): Debbie Schmid and Cindy Spangler

**LITURGIST:** Barbara Adamcik

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** (11:00) Chancel Choir

**SAFETY TEAM:** Reed Ellis

**SENIOR USHER:** Barbara Froula

**USHERS:**

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

(11:00) Betty McKeehan, Bonny Naugher, Mark Potocik, Penny Tschantz and Shirley Wittman

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given in memory of Mary McKeehan by her mother and stepfather, Kathie and Thomas Tallant. Mary grew up at Westminster; her forty-fifth birthday is October 7.

**OUR THANKS** to Barbara and Bob Adamcik, Bob Albiston, Bobby Powell, Debbie Schmid, and Renee Wieseuegel for enriching our worship this morning as they accompany the choir. Many thanks also to JP and Meredith Mackay for sharing contemporary music from Switzerland.

**THIS MORNING’S MUSIC** includes an arrangement of a Nigerian folk song collected by Wendell P. Whalum, the highly acclaimed educator, musicologist, arranger, and director of the Morehouse College Glee Club. Uzee Brown, Jr., Peter Van Eenam’s former classmate and friend from music school, has set the melody in four parts making use of ostinati and canon, the latter being somewhat evocative of communities traveling from distant lands back to a homeland where all commune together in peace. The prelude is French composer Olivier Messiaen’s first published

work (1928). Though an early composition, it shows characteristics of his mature works, one being his use of his modes of limited transposition. Quoting from Wikipedia as it is concise and accurate: “Despite being only 25 bars long, it takes about 7–8 minutes to perform, due to the extremely slow tempo (“very slow, ecstatic”). The work has two themes: the first, marked “far away, mysterious,” is slow and sustained. The second, played by the pedal, but at 4’ pitch (drawing a stop one octave above notated pitch) and above, is marked “brief staccato, as a water drop,” and represents Christ’s blood.” Please try to listen with different ears to this musical landscape, much the way one might view paintings from the Impressionists.

**SHOW AND WAMS**

**2:00 p.m. CORN MAZE!!!** (Meet at church)

We have 20 tickets for the Oakes Farm Corn Maze in Corryton. We will DEFINITELY need parent drivers-- who are invited to come along and join the fun. Cost is \$10 each, but you're welcome to bring extra money for snacks (parents get in free!!!) Please let Barbara know if you can help. This is such fun: corn maze, flower picking, hayride, pumpkin patch!! We'll return to church by 6 p.m.

**WPCKnox YOUTUBE!** You can find all of our worship services on YouTube. You can find us by either visiting our website at www.wpcknox.org and clicking on the “WPC on YouTube” or you can search WPCKnox on YouTube and find us to subscribe. If you subscribe, you will receive notifications of new videos when you log into YouTube. Bonus, the bulletin is available on our website by Friday afternoon so that you can print and follow along with ease.

**ABBEY DEADLINE** is TODAY! You can submit your articles to unitedprinters@comcast.net.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**

**10:00 am**

**Wired Word**

Meets in the library, discussion around current event topics with an eye and ear toward scripture

**Feasting on the Word**

This lectionary-based class meets in the pavilion.

**Bible Study**

The Adult Bible Study class is studying Hebrews 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.

**CHILDREN’S OFFERINGS ON SUNDAYS:** There are so many ways for children to be involved on Sunday mornings!

- 9:00 Worship: Children 0-5 are welcome in the Nursery. Children 6+ remain in Worship
- 10:00 Hour: Children 0-3 are welcome in the Nursery. Children 4-10 are invited to Fellowship Time downstairs.
- 11:00 Worship: Children 0-3 are welcome in the Nursery. Children 3.5-4th grade remain in Worship until Time with the Children, then are walked downstairs for Primary and Intermediate Sunday school.

**OCTOBERFEST**



- Sunday, Oct. 24, 5-8 p.m.
- Beer served from 5-7
- Whittington Creek Pavilion
- Fun, food, and drink for WPC members and guests, ages 21 and older
- Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin boards



**Please Save these Dates:**

Justice Knox Annual Listening Sessions where we share our concerns and identify areas to research and study to serve justice in Knoxville Sunday, October 17th right after 11 am Worship Monday, October 18th at 3 pm Both Sessions will be in the Pavilion

**SPECIAL OFFERING:** During October worship services the annual Peacemaking and Global Witness Offering will be collected. Half of it goes to the World Mission and Global Witness in the Presbyterian Church USA, one-quarter to our Presbytery Peacemaking Committee where it will be used to support the Matthew 25 Projects to build congregational vitality. to dismantle racism, and to eradicate structural poverty. Our congregation retains one-quarter for its mission projects.

*What are your gifts?*

*Fill this out and place it in the offering plate.*

We have all been blessed with diverse gifts. What do you do well? What would you like to share? What can you bring to our church?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Gift: \_\_\_\_\_