

The Order of Worship

January 30, 2022 9:00 and 11:00 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, 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

CALL TO WORSHIP Mary Boyd

Leader: God has called us to share the good news of God's love.

People: But who am I, that God should call me?

Leader: You are a beloved child of God..

People: But I am weak; I'm not a great speaker.

God is with you; don't be afraid.

People: Lord, help me trust in your presence with me. Help me to serve you.

AMEN.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 307 (Glory to God hymnal) God of Grace and God of Glory

Cwm Rhondda

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of great expectations, you know how easy it is for us to make excuses for inactivity. We love to run and hide when a task is set before us. We look at the expectation and think that we don't have the abilities, strength, or wisdom to accomplish this task. We think, too often, that we are doing these things all by ourselves. And we feel sorry for ourselves and angry that you expect so much from us. Help us to understand that the opportunities for service that you offer to us also come with your abiding presence, love and support. Turn us around and place us back on the path of joyful service. Let our work be part of the fulfillment of the mandate of Jesus Christ when he made his proclamation in the synagogue so long ago. For it is in His Name that we pray. AMEN.

*KYRIE ELEISON NO. 574 (blue hymnal)

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

arr. David N. Johnson

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Julia Whipple

Children age 3 through 4^{nd} grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:21-30

SERMON "Mirror, Mirror on the Wall" Rev. Gradye Parsons

*HYMN NO. 716 (Glory to God hymnal) God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending Beach Spring

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

We live by the Spirit, the presence of God's love in us. In that love we participate in the Church, Body of Christ, in loving God by loving our neighbors through our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service. Love is our faith, and it is a gift from God. We thank God, and ask God's blessings, that we may love in the name of Christ and the power of the Spirit, to God's glory. Amen.

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. Though many of us contribute online 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) Grazioso

Georg Philipp Telemann

Handbell Choir

(11:00) Sound Forth the Trumpet in Zion Thomas Morley Sound forth the trumpet in Zion, and be joyful ye righteous. Such praise is fitting for the upright. For the word of the Lord is right, and all his works are done in truth. Alleluia.

based on Joel 2:1

*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

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*HYMN NO. 749 (Glory to God hymnal) (11:00) Come! Live in the Light!

We Are Called

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen

Danish melody

*POSTLUDE Prélude (from Suite on the Second Tone)

Jean Adam Guilain

*Indicates standing.

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NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

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

GREETERS: Kathryn Oakes and Amy Rawe

LITURGIST: Mary Boyd MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Handbell Choir(11:00) Members of the Chancel Choir

SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Larry Tragesser

SENIOR USHER: Tom Byerley

USHERS:

(9:00) Daniel Berry and Scott Brunger

(11:00) Brenda Seip, Penny Tschantz, Linda VanBeke, Wanda Barber

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

JEAN ADAM GUILAIN was born in Germany and lived from around 1680 until sometime after 1739, spening 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.

<u>THE BIRTH CANDLE</u> is lit today in celebration of Ira Arthur Freeman, first child born to parents Abby and Chris Freeman on January 25.

THERE'S A NEW COFFEE SPOT AT WESTMINSTER! Give it a try on Sunday mornings from 10:00- 11:00 a.m. It's trying to find a permanent home, but for now our coffee bar is under the TV near the kitchen. It offers an assortment of coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and flavorings for you to enjoy. You can grab a cup to take to a Sunday school class or stay and chat. We're purchasing our coffee through UPerk at UTK, so we'll be helping their ministry.

SCHILLING GALLERY EXHIBIT: A special treat awaits you in the Schilling Gallery: Audrey Parsons Yates (wife of Stephen Yates, son of Jim and Linda Yates) brought her pottery pieces from her home in Tullahoma to share with us. Exhibiting with her is her wood-turning father Ralph Parsons. The majority of the pottery is sale! ALSO, local artist Kim Kimmons has a wonderful watercolor exhibit called "The American Cowboy." Stop by and see the beauty of these hand-created pieces of art. Mr. Kimmons is donating all proceeds from the sale of any painting to WPC. What a kind, giving spirit.

<u>THE ABBEY DEADLINE</u> is today! Send articles to Debbie at unitedprinters@comcast.net.

NAME TAG SUNDAY is EVERY Sunday. Please fill out a name tag in the Narthex.

A SESSION MEETING will follow the 11:00 am worship in the McKinnon Room today.

SHOWING THE LOVE TO F.I.S.H.

The youth are meeting today from 4-6 for a fun afternoon of service!! We have 3 service tasks, then we'll play the latest games from Jackbox (including 3D Drawful!!) Here are our tasks:

- Make Valentines for families receiving food bags from FISH
- Bag food for pets (to be distributed with the food bags
- Choose the organization we want to support in the Souper Bowl of caring + make signs for that event

Then... we play the games! (Bring a "device" -phone, ipad,etc.- for games. We have extra devices if needed.)

<u>CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS ON SUNDAYS:</u> 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 age 3-4th grade remain in Worship until Time with the Children, then are walked downstairs for Primary and Intermediate Sunday school.

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Debbie Bendy, Abbey Editor

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Feasting on the Word

Feasting on the Word, a lectionary-based study, meets in person in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. The class looks at scriptures that are from the lectionary readings for each week.

Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study class chooses books of the Bible for in-depth study each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. The class meets in person in the McKinnon Room AND on Zoom.

The Wired Word

The Wired Word meets at 10:00 a.m. Sunday mornings. All you need is a smart phone or tablet. You'll get an email with the week's current events topic that is discussed with an eye and ear toward scripture. The discussion is always lively. Jump in! The class is meeting in the library this fall to allow for more distancing. If you don't already receive emails and would like to, let Mary know.

THE SESSION

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

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